



Traffic Direction Written Test

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Answer the questions below, based upon the lecture presented in a classroom setting, or the material found on the Virginia Defense Force website. All questions must be clearly marked as to your indicated correct answer. A passing grade is a correct answer on all questions (100%). All work must be done on an individual basis. The reading material may be used as a reference during your exam.

Circle the letter beside the best correct answer.

1. Which group of people below, are allowed to direct traffic under Virginia law 46.2-1310?
 - a. Anyone who has been trained to direct traffic.
 - b. All members of the Virginia Defense Force.
 - c. Those persons that have been deputized by a chief of police or sheriff and who have been trained.
 - d. All members of the Virginia Defense force who have been trained.
2. Which of the following conditions could cause traffic direction difficulties?
 - a. Extreme heat
 - b. Extreme cold
 - c. Inclement weather
 - d. All of the above
3. When conducting two or more person traffic direction, which is the most important concept to remember?
 - a. Direct traffic the same way each time
 - b. One person has to call the shots when changing the flow
 - c. All traffic must be allowed to run the same length of time
 - d. None of the above

- 4. Virginia law does not require which of the following items to be used when directing traffic?**
- a. Flares
 - b. Traffic Vests
 - c. Whistles
 - d. All are required
- 5. A flashlight with traffic cone is useful for traffic direction because**
- a. It enhances TCP visibility
 - b. It doesn't get in the way of regular hand movements
 - c. It provides a throwing device for stopping vehicles that run your TCP
 - d. All are valid reasons for using a flashlight with a cone
- 6. Which of the following is not a useful consideration in conducting a TCP size up?**
- a. Size and location of the intersection
 - b. Type or configuration of the intersection
 - c. How many people you have to man the intersection
 - d. How much you are getting paid to direct the traffic
- 7. Which of the following helps to show that a TCP operator has confidence in her/his ability to conduct traffic direction operations?**
- a. Has a loud voice when shouting at vehicle drivers
 - b. Has been in the intersection all day
 - c. Has crisp, concise hand movements and directions
 - d. Can use funny gestures to make drivers laugh
- 8. Which of the following is specified in Virginia code for the directing of traffic?**
- a. Allow for extra time for intoxicated individuals to cross the street
 - b. Give designated number of blasts on a whistle for certain traffic movements
 - c. Permit government officials preferential treatment in traffic movement
 - d. Hand arm movements must conform to the military code of justice
- 9. Which issue is not a consideration during directing of traffic at night?**
- a. TCP operators need to make themselves more visible at night
 - b. Drivers might not be able to see a TCP operation due to blinding lights
 - c. Reaction times can be slower at night due to visibility
 - d. All are valid considerations

10. Which issue is not a consideration during traffic direction using more than one person?

- a. One person needs to call the shots
- b. VDF personnel need to place themselves to see and be seen
- c. VDF personnel need to be able to see at least two miles down the road
- d. All are valid considerations

11. VDF personnel who have been deputized by a police chief or sheriff under the authority of Virginia code 46.2-1310 shall

- a. Be trained for traffic direction in a recognized academy
- b. Have arrest authority only when on their traffic control point
- c. Have traffic direction authority regardless of age
- d. None of the above is correct

12. Which of the following is a requirement for a traffic vest?

- a. It must be worn on over the outer most garment
- b. It must be rated at ANSI III or better
- c. It must be orange with silver reflectorized striping
- d. None of the above is correct

13. When entering the street to direct traffic, which of the following must be done?

- a. Enter cautiously
- b. Look for a safe gap in traffic
- c. Make eye contact with drivers and point to the one you want to stop
- d. All are correct

14. Which of the following issues are not considered in planning for traffic direction?

- a. Do you have an escape route
- b. What kind of event are you working
- c. Will there be pedestrians present
- d. Will you be able to get to the candy apple vendor

15. Which of the following is a valid reason for moving while in an intersection?

- a. You can't see the parade
- b. You need to see oncoming traffic
- c. None are valid
- d. A and B are both valid

16. Flares must be used with caution during traffic direction because

- a. They burn for hours
- b. They can be mistaken for an explosive
- c. They can be stolen easily
- d. They burn with very hot temperatures and can cause fires and burns

17. Which of the following should be considered when trying to prevent intersection gridlock?

- a. Who has the right of way
- b. Who has the most persons riding in the vehicles
- c. How are the adjacent TCPs running their traffic flow
- d. All of the above

18. Pedestrians can be problematic for those directing traffic because

- a. Intoxicated individuals can stumble and fall into traffic
- b. Handicapped individuals can require longer crossing times, delaying traffic
- c. Young children can dart unexpectedly into traffic
- d. All of the above

19. Which of the following is not authorized by Virginia code 46.2-1310 to deputize VDF personnel for traffic direction and arrest powers?

- a. Chief of police
- b. Sheriff
- c. VDF Regimental Commander
- d. None of the above

20. Upon completion of the traffic control point assignment, flares can be

- a. Left lying in the street, they will burn out eventually, and cause no fire hazard
- b. Put out and thrown in the nearest trash can
- c. Put out and place the nubs back in the flare box
- d. None of the above.

21. Which of the following is not required for VDF personnel directing traffic?

- a. Valid authority to do so under the law
- b. Proper equipment, including an ANSI 1 vest
- c. Proper training
- d. All of the above are required

22. Which signal below is not required for directing traffic?

- a. One blast on a whistle to stop vehicular traffic
- b. Two blasts on the whistle to move vehicular traffic
- c. Three blasts on the whistle to move pedestrian traffic
- d. None of the above

23. A traffic vest must be worn during traffic direction, except

- a. During daylight hours when visibility is good
- b. During inclement weather when a poncho or field jacket must be worn
- c. During traffic control in heavy traffic where the vest might become snagged
- d. There are no exceptions to wearing a traffic vest when directing traffic

24. Traffic direction is one of the most dangerous duties a VDF soldier may perform because

- a. Traffic direction is involves arresting law breakers
- b. There is no danger if the soldier is properly trained
- c. There is a constant threat of a motor vehicle striking the soldier
- d. All of the above

25. VDF personnel trained to direct traffic should

- a. Ensure that they have the proper equipment for directing traffic
- b. Be trained in a realistic controlled traffic environment
- c. Practice in front of a mirror to fine tune hand and arm movements
- d. All of the above